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OF CATCH AT NEWFOUNDLAND

reports to the St. John's, N. of Trade tells of the fishing and catch of the fleet along as follows:

5th. From George Forsey (Bank)—The one trap out is little codfish. No bankers arrived nor schooners from ground. There is plenty of codfishery prospects are lobsters very scarce. For a the first of the caplin, there of codfish, but lately the doing very little.

From I. Parsons (Mer- to Juggler's Cove)—The to date of codfish is 30 quints traps are in the water, but skills or boats are fishing. For the voyage are not good. There is plenty of caplin but hook and liners are doing

From J. Butt (Blanc Isle au Bois to Forteau)—traps are out and 20 dories with 10 boats fishing. Prospects the fishery would be good the presence of ice. Bait is large strings of ice and E. and S. W. winds on caused so much trouble that had to be taken out of the total catch of codfish is and for last week 1500.

From D. Blandford (to Shambler's Cove)—catch of codfish is 100 quintals for last week 20. Prospects good at present for the voyage there is enough caplin for traps are in the water and skills fishing. The lobster is the worst on record. Very around here is the known and the fishermen no cod on the grounds.

From Jas Tuck (Hant's Point).—Codfishery prospects very good for hook and 12 traps are out and 12 skills with 2 boats fishing. catch is 200 quintals and for 220. Caplin bait is fairly at the lobster fishery is all the codtraps are doing well, but the hook and line fishing to fail.

From W. Turland (River to Port au Choix).—To date codfish catch is 400 quintals. are in the water and 7 dories with 2 boats are fishing. Oners have arrived from the Codfishery prospects are there is plenty of bait. The fishery is a failure. The men all the fish they can handle in traps; one has 500 quintals others from

MAY GIVE UP FISH TREATY

Says the Canadian Press Despatch: "Last spring the Hon J. D. Hazen went to Washington and interviewed President Wilson as to the probabilities of the United States ratifying the treaty with Canada as to the protection of fishing in international waters. The intimation was conveyed that the extra session of congress was to deal only with the tariff, and no definite assurance was given as to the probable action of congress at its regular session.

"The Canadian parliament five years ago passed legislation concurring in the treaty. Ever since it has been held up awaiting similar action at Washington.

"Due allowance is made for the fact that the extra session of congress is to deal exclusively with the tariff, but if, at that session starting in December, nothing is done and the Democratic administration follows the inactive precedent of the Republicans, it is wholly probable that Canada will withdraw from the treaty and the extensive investigation and work necessitated by it will count for nought."

LAND A QUEER FISH AT PORTLAND

Boat fishermen report any quantity of sardine herring in the lower bay and about 60 barrels are being landed daily at the factory at South Portland, which has been operated in a small way since the first of the month, and will be opened up to its full capacity in August if the fish shown up as well as is now anticipated. Most of the herring now being packed are taken off the Fal-mouth Foreside and Sturdivant's Island, they having as yet not shown up in the Yarmouth river, which usually swarms with them in a busy season.

The herring catch at the eastward this year has been much smaller than usual, the pack to date being less than one-half the amount handled in former years. In an effort to improve the quality of the fish product the U. S. government, through the Department of Agriculture, has taken hold of the matter and has established a special sardine laboratory at Eastport. This field experiment station

ANOTHER SALT BANKER HOME

Sch. Annie M. Parker in
Hailing for 230,000
Lbs. of Salt Cod.

Sch. Annie M. Parker, the sixth salt banker to arrive here this season is at home today, hailing for 230,000 lbs. of salt cod which will be taken by the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Company, her owners.

Sch. Monitor, Capt. George Marr, is also here this morning from a very successful halibutting voyage, hailing for 28,000 pounds fresh halibut and 9000 weight of salt cod. Capt. Marr took his catch on Green Bank, being absent 21 days, and sold to the American Halibut Company at 9½ cents per lb. for white and 7½c for gray.

The only fresh fare arrival was sch. Adeline, down from Boston with 30,000 pounds left over from yesterday which sold to the splitters.

Sch. Lillian, Capt. James C. Gannon, landed a small fare of fresh mixed mackerel yesterday afternoon, counting out 500 fish, besides 29 barrels of salt ones.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.
The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Lillian, seiping, 500 fresh mixed mackerel, 29 bbls. salt mackerel.
Sch. Monitor, Green Bank, 28,000 lbs. fresh halibut, 9000 lbs. salt cod.
Sch. Adeline, via Boston, 30,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Annie M. Parker, salt trawl banking, 230,000 lbs. salt cod.

Handline Georges codfish, large, \$4.75 per cwt.; medium, \$4.25; snappers, \$3.
Drift codfish, large, \$4.25 per cwt.; medium, \$3.75.
Salt trawl bank cod, large, \$4.25, medium, \$3.75.
Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$4.25; medium, \$3.75.
Georges halibut codfish, large, \$4.50; mediums, \$4.
Cusk, large, \$2.25; mediums, \$1.75; snappers, \$1.25.
Hake, \$1.50.
Pollock, \$1.50.
Haddock, \$1.50.
Flitchet halibut, 8 3-4c per lb.
Mackerel, \$14 per bbl.

QUIET AS USUAL ON SATURDAY

But One Craft at T Wharf
Today—Nothing to Interfere With Ball Game.

The week closed very quietly indeed at T wharf, Boston, today, one bare arrival being all that was in the way of groundfish arrivals.

The fare was that of sch. Genesta, which hailed for 24,000 pounds of hake and a few hundred pounds of codfish.

Haddock brought \$1.75 per hundred weight, while \$5 was paid for large cod, \$3 for markets and \$1.50 to \$2.50 for hake.

Boston Arrivals.
The fares and prices in detail are:
Sch. Genesta, 24,000 haddock, 500 cod, 4000 hake.
Haddock, \$1.75 per cwt.; large cod, \$5; market cod, \$3; hake, \$1.50 to \$2.50.

SCH. BENJ. SMITH FOR MARTIE WELCH

Sch. Lucania of this port, Capt. Martin L. Welch, ashore at Truro, Cape Cod, will be a total loss, all efforts to save her having been abandoned by the insurance company and owners. Capt. Welch has shipped to take command of sch. Benjamin A. Smith and will fit out Monday for seining.

Several days ago, the vessel's sails, rigging, anchors and such gear and fittings as were moveable were brought here by lighter. A further examination of the hull and the position of the craft as she lays in the sand was made, it being found that it would be useless to try to float her, on account of her condition.

The Lucania is badly warped and twisted and in the opinion of Capt. Welch, even though she could have been hauled off, she would never have been fit for fishing purposes again. The hull has been sold to wreckers, who will save the iron work, etc., while what remains of the once fine schooner will probably be left to be broken up by the weather and seas.

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SALT MACKEREL TAKE A RISE

The salt mackerel fare of sch. Lillian sold to the Gloucester Mackerel Company at \$14 a barrel. This is an advance of \$1 a barrel over the last sales in Boston.

BIG BLACKFISH CATCH.

Men of Sloop Drive School Ashore at No Man's Land.

Fishing sloop Mertie Hackett sailed Wednesday from New Bedford for No Man's Land, an island off Gay Head, with four experienced whalers to cut in a catch of blackfish made on Tuesday.

The Mertie Hackett was cruising off No Man's Land Tuesday when her lookout aloft announced a school of large fish inshore. The sloop headed over and Peter Crowe, in a small boat, struck one of the fish, which proved to be blackfish. The fish gyrated with her dory so violently that Crowe cut loose. Then a number of the fishermen embarked in dories and surrounded the school of fish. They shouted and beat the water with their oars, driving the school of about 100 fish high and dry on the beach.

The head oil of a blackfish is used for watch oil and sells as high as \$15 gallon. The fishermen came to New Bedford contracted with two oil refiners for the catch and took back the whalers to cut in the blubber. This will be brought to New Bedford and tied out aboard the whaling schooner Ellen A. Swift, which arrived this week, aboard which are tryworks ready for trying out the oil.

33,600 Cans of Salmon Destroyed.

Thirty-three thousand six hundred cans of salmon, or 700 cases, valued at \$100,000, were taken down the harbor by Deputy U. S. Marshal Ruhl and assistants Pyne and Heintz Thursday. The cases were taken down the harbor on a tug outside of the three-mile limit and dumped overboard.

The shipment came from an Alaskan port and was found by pure food experts to be adulterated within the meaning of the pure food regulations, the government agents alleging it contained a putrid, decomposed and filthy animal matter.

Several hundred cases of the salmon were burned on the Commonwealth flats a week ago, but the canned salmon didn't burn very well, so it was decided to dispose of it by the water route.

Mackerel Imports and Receipts

Imports of fresh mackerel received at Boston to date total 8722 barrels as compared with 2785 barrels for the corresponding period of 1912.

The catch of fresh mackerel by the seining fleet to date is 28,860 barrels against 12,880 barrels in 1912.

Salt mackerel imports received at Boston are 1001 barrels as compared with 3863 barrels of the 1912 catch for same length of time last year.

The catch of salt mackerel to date is 1757 barrels, while in 1912 for the same period 2025 barrels were landed.

Sch. Klye, Capt. [unclear] from Labrador at 5 o'clock this morning, having reached as far as Turnavick. She brought a small freight. From officers of the ship we are informed that the prospects of a good fishery are bright. During the past week the catch was a little better, and signs of improvement are reported. Traps average four quintals and the presence of caplin is very favorable to a good catch. These conditions exist from Battle Harbor to Bateau. The ice along the coast has separated from the shore and what remains is very loose, and next trip the Klye will probably reach Hopedale. Icebergs are numerous.—St. John's, N. F., Herald, July 10.

Fishing Out of Pensacola.

Having been refitted out for the snapper trade, the new fishing smack Rena A. Percy leaves for the banks during today in command of Captain Joe Fish, formerly in command of the Caldwell H. Colt.

The Rena A. Percy is the latest smack purchased from New England parties and is one of the largest vessels to be engaged in fishing out of Pensacola. She was brought to Pensacola in exactly the state she was used in fishing out of New England ports and in order to put her in the snapper trade it was necessary to refit her here, installing new and different ice boxes, etc.

Five Lighthouses For Labrador.

By the Invermore which sailed for Labrador today, A. W. Piccott, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, was a passenger. Mr. Piccott will proceed to far north as possible with a view to selecting sites for the proposed five lighthouses which are to be erected north of Ford's Harbor. He will be joined by Mr. Cornick at Indian Harbor.—St. John's, N. F., Herald, July 10

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FRANCISCO LT COD MARKET

moderate supply of codfish has been during the last month, but a check on hand was practically exhausted. There is little surplus above needs, and values are well maintained, says the Pacific Fishery. There is little likelihood of any change in the situation until next comes in with the spring

Levi, of the Alaska. Codfishery, says: "Reports from the Bering sea fleet indicate that the sea vessels are doing well. We expect some codfish soon by steamer from the coast. The local demand is very good, but codfish is still scarce, and there is no reduction in prices until the sea fleet arrives."

P. Overton, of the Union Fish Company, says: "On May 31 our Alaska stationer, the schooner Sequoia, arrived after a run from Pirate Cove with a full cargo of new fish. The market is almost bare. She weighed something more than 350 tons of fish, which gives us enough to supply all requirements of this market until the arrival of further supplies at the same point."

In addition to the cargo by the Sequoia, there were two small lots shipped from the Alaskan stations by the local steamer, but as these did not aggregate altogether over three cars of fish, they cut practically no figure in the market, and all of the shipping and export business as well as the bulk of the local trade will have to be supplied from the stock now in our hands."

Mail advices from Alaska up to the 5 state that there have been very good fishing days, with the fish plentiful whenever the boats could get out to the fishing grounds, and the outlook is good for large cargoes this fall. Advices from the Atlantic coast are of light fishing thus far, though it is yet too early in the season to positively forecast the eastern market, and as the eastern market governs our own, no one can tell positively what to expect when the heavy trade comes in, say from August to November. At present it looks like a market will take, both for the Atlantic coast and the West Indies, all of the fish that we have to spare, and probably at a fair margin over the cost of production. As this season has seen a marked increase in wages and fitting costs, we must have a great deal better figures than ever before to

July 5th. From M. Jenkins (Rocky Hr. to Trout River)—The total catch is 300 quintals of codfish, 100 being taken last week. Four traps are out and 50 dories and skiffs fishing, but no boats. No bankers or schooners from the grounds have yet arrived. The prospects for a good voyage are not favorable. Caplin and herring are plentiful, but as regards the lobster fishery the catch is not more than half of last year's.

July 5th. Frob F. Cox, (Eddy's Cove to Anchor Point).—Codfishery prospects are good and there is a plentiful supply of bait. The lobster fishery is very poor. Owing to a great deal of ice in the Strait fewer traps were fished this week than last. Fifty traps are out and 20 dories and skiffs fishing. The total catch of codfish is 1892 quintals, and for last week 1288.

New Halibut Schooner.

The new gas schooner Allen, owned by Jacob Bassi, has been added to the Seattle halibut fleet. The vessel is 85 feet long and is equipped with a 110 h. p. gas engine and is capable of making 12 knots. She is finished in elaborate style and has the appearance of a private yacht. She left June 20 on her first trip.

son, which is in charge of Dr. F. C. Weber of the animal physiological laboratory of the Bureau of Chemistry will make a thorough study of the fish caught in the Maine sardine waters and the methods of packing them employed by the Maine canners. The object is to improve the quality and reputation of American sardines, which of late, with few exceptions, have been of inferior quality and often packed when unfit for packing or else so packed as to be a very poor article of diet. Only recently the department was forced to seize about 250,000 cases of American sardines in Pittsburg and Norfolk, which are said to have been improperly packed. The new local factory is heartily in sympathy with this effort to elevate the standard of the trade, and in the short time they have been in business have already acquired a reputation for their goods which enables them to obtain the very highest prices in the market. Their success will be a good thing for South Portland, as when in full operation the factory will furnish employment to a large number of people.

Mel Darling, the well known South Portland fisherman, who killed a 500 pound shark last week, brought in another big fish Thursday, which the wharf experts were at a loss to classify, Mel himself saying he never saw the like before. The fish, which weighed 400 pounds before being dressed and was harpooned off the Cape, resembles a swordfish minus the sword. The color of the monster is blue, and it also resembles the tuna fish, a product of the Pacific coast, the pictured labels on the cans of that species of fish being an almost perfect fac-simile in shape and color to the one on exhibition Thursday at Daggett's fish store on Portland pier. Some parties who saw the fish pronounced it a horse mackerel, they sometimes weighing over 500 pounds. The fish was boxed and shipped to New York.

The fishing schooner Lizzie May arrived in port Thursday with a catch of 87 barrels of shad, they having been taken off Small Point. The only other fare of any size brought in was that of the Gloucester schooner Avalon, returning from a Bank trip, having 23,000 pounds of halibut in addition to quite a large amount of salt

Fresh Fish.

Splitting prices:
Haddock, 90c per cwt.
Eastern cod, large, \$2; medium, \$1.75; snappers, 75c.
Western cod, large, \$2.25; mediums, \$2; snappers, 75c.
Cape North cod, large, \$2; medium, \$1.75; snappers, 75c.
All codfish, not gilled, 10c per 100 pounds less than the above.
Hake, 90c.
Cusk, large, \$1.40; mediums, \$1; snappers, 50c.
Dressed pollock, 80c; round, 70c.

Fresh herring, \$3 per bbl, for bait; \$1.50 to salt; \$1.60 to freezer.
Fresh shad, \$2.30 per bbl.
Fresh mackerel, 22c each for large, 10c for medium, 5c per lb., for tinkers.
Fresh bluebacks, \$2.50 per bbl, for bait; \$1 to freezer; 75c to salt.
Bank halibut 9½c for white and 7½c for gray.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Patriot, drifting.
Sch. Mary DeCosta, haddocking.
Sch. Actor, swordfishing.
Sch. Lillian, swordfishing.
Sch. Priscilla, Boston.
Sch. Elizabeth W. Nunan, Cape Porpoise.

On the Railways.

Steamer Joanna is on Parkhurst's railways.
Sloop Bulah Maud is on the Rocky Neck railways.

Cutter Will Blow Up Wreck.

The revenue cutter Gresham, Capt. Winram, left Boston Thursday night under orders to locate and destroy the derelict reported floating off Thatcher's Island by Capt. Manuel Alves, of the schooner Francis Sylvia, as reported in yesterday's Times. Capt. Alves reported sighting the obstruction 15 miles south of Thatcher's Island at daylight Wednesday. Capt. H. M. Broadbent, in charge of the Revenue Cutter Service here, dispatched the Gresham, and the cutter went out prepared to blow up the wreck, if it was found impracticable to tow her into port.